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**GSA Contribution to the Annual Report to the NSC on the Status
of the Foreign Intelligence Program**

The statement below is suggested as a possible contribution
from the GSA to the above report:

Geographic Intelligence Collection

Until such time as advanced reconnaissance systems are perfected and operational, the lack of Sino-Soviet Bloc topographic maps and geodetic data will continue to constitute a deficiency in the nuclear capability of the United States. First Category Objective "I.f." of FMO states the requirements for "the identification and precise geodetic location of critical air and missile targets in the Sino-Soviet Bloc". To date no maps or geodetic data have been collected as a result of a planned and directed operation; however, topographic maps of East Germany were passively collected during the year. Considerable intelligence has been collected on the location and accessibility of maps and geodetic data in the Bloc and renewed efforts will be required prior to mounting clandestine operations that might have reasonable potential for success.

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